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GSA FOR OFFICE OF PREPAREDNESS, MR. MARCELLIN, WINDER BLDG.

1. RECOMMENDED US POSITION FOR AGENDA ITEMS AT SUBJECT

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I. DECISION SHEETS OF PREVIOUS MEETINGS

DS/87 ACCEPTABLE EXCEPT FOR OPEN QUESTIONS CONCERNING

DS/86. DS/88 ACCEPTABLE, EXCEPT FOR ITEM V, REPORTS BY
THE CCPC, ETC., AND THE FACT THAT STATEMENT MADE BY US

REP AT MEETING, COPIES OF WHICH WERE GIVEN TO COMMITTEE AND TO SECRETARY WITH THE REQUEST THAT IT BE INCLUDED IN THE RECORD, HAS NOT BEEN SO INCLUDED. WILL NOT APPROVE DECISION SHEET UNTIL SUCH ASSURANCES GIVEN BY CHAIRMAN.

II. PLANNING FOR PORT OPERATIONS, RECEPTION CAPACITY AND EVACUATION IN NATO EUROPE

ON 30 AUGUST POLICASTRO AND RANTZ HAD MEETING WITH CEP DIRECTOR DEVEGLIA AND FARRANT WHICH WAS ALSO ATTENDED BY UK REP LAIDLER. OBJECTIVE OF US REPS WAS TO DISCUSS PROPOSED DECISION SCEPC WAS ASKED TO TAKE ON NOT ONLY THIS ITEM, BUT ALSO ON AGENDA ITEMS III, IV, AND V. THE PORT OPERATIONS PAPER, D/647 AND THE ASSOCIATED N/192, WITH MINOR MODIFICATIONS SHOULD BE ACCEPTABLE TO US. HOWEVER, WE OBJECT TO SENDING DOCUMENT TO NATO MILITARY AUTHORITIES FOR ASSESSMENT, ETC., BEFORE SCEPC APPROVAL OF DOCUMENT. SUGGESTION WAS MADE TO DEVEGLIA THAT COMMITTEE REVERT TO DECISIONS APPEARING AT PARA 10 OF DOCUMENT. IS AND UK REP AGREED WITH THIS PROPOSAL. US REP WILL RESERVE APPROVAL IF OTHER MEMBERS ATTEMPT TO FORCE DOCUMENT INTO MILITARY CHANNELS. SUBJECT MATTER IS WITHIN CIVILIAN COMPETENCE AND SHOULD BE APPROVED BY SCEPC FIRST BEFORE FORWARDING TO MILITARY AUTHORITIES. ACCORDINGLY, WE PROPOSE TO SCRAP DECISION IN DS/86 WHERE IT CONFLICTS WITH PROPOSED DECISION AT PARA 10, D/647.

III. SHIPPING PLANS UNDER THE REVISED BASIC ASSUMPTIONS AND

IV. ORGANIZATION OF SEA MOVEMENT OF NATO REINFORCEMENTS PRIOR TO THE OUTBREAK OF HOSTILITIES

DOCUMENT D/660 POORLY ORGANIZED AND CONTAINS MANY ITEMS WHICH SHOULD HAVE BEEN TREATED IN SEPARATE PAPERS. IN ADDITION, IMPORTANT POLICY ASPECTS HAVE BEEN OVER-SHADOWED BY ORGANIZATIONAL PROPOSALS CONCERNING CENSHADCOM, CONSULTANT ROLE TO SCEPC AND LOCATION AT NATO HQS.

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US REPS ASKED THAT THIS ISSUE BE SEVERED FROM APPROVAL OF DOCUMENT AT PRESENT TIME AND BE DISCUSSED AT LATER DATE AFTER PLENARY EXCHANGE ON CONSULTANTS. THIS CONTENTIOUS ITEM COULD HOLD UP APPROVAL OF THIS DOCUMENT AND ALSO JEOPARDIZE APPROVAL OF D/661, ORGANIZATION OF SEA MOVEMENT, ETC. BOTH THESE DOCUMENTS, AS WASHINGTON AUTHORITIES INDICATED, SHOULD BE APPROVED AS SOON AS POSSIBLE. USNATO WILL ATTEMPT TO SECURE APPROVAL AT SEPTEMBER MEETING, NOTING SIGNIFICANCE IN ANNUAL REPORT AND HOPES US REP AT PLENARY WILL COMMENT ON SIGNIFICANCE AND LANDMARK CASE THAT D/661 MAKES IN CIVIL-MILITARY COOPERATION. ABOVE COMMENTS ALSO COVER AGENDA ITEM IV ON D/661. PARA 10 OF THIS DOCUMENT WILL BE MODIFIED TO SOFTEN

OR ELIMINATE (2) AND TO ASK PBOS TO REPORT BACK ON CERTAIN
OTHER ASPECTS OF THE PAPER.

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V. CIVIL SUPPORT TO MILITARY PREPAREDNESS IN NATO
US REP BELIEVES D/650 WILL STAY ON PLENARY AGENDA. A
PROBLEM EXISTS WITH D/673 WHICH DOES NOT OUTLINE THE
DIFFERENCES OF OPINION EXPRESSED AT PREVIOUS MEETINGS
ON THIS SUBJECT. AN EFFORT WILL BE MADE TO CORRECT
THIS.

VI. CIVIL EMERGENCY ARRANGEMENTS IN TIME OF CRISIS;
PREPARATION FOR THE GENERAL DISCUSSION IN PLENARY SESSION

WP/83 IS ATTEMPT TO SET FORTH ISSUES FOR CONSIDERATION
AT PLENARY AND FOCUS DISCUSSION ON THIS SUBJECT.
RECOMMENDED POSITION IS THAT DOCUMENT NOT BE CONVERTED
TO D BUT TREATED AS A WP AND AID TO PLENARY REPS.

VII. WORK PRIORITIES AND PROGRAMMES FOR 1973/1975

US SCEPC REP HAS NOT HAD OPPORTUNITY TO EXAMINE 10 AUGUST
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EDITION OF WP/80 AS YET, WP/86, ALSO AT THIS AGENDA ITEM,

SHOULD BE CAREFULLY SCREENED BY WASHINGTON BACK-STOPPING GROUP. WE PROPOSE TO MAKE POINT THAT COMMITTEES SHOULD ATTEMPT TO RECOGNIZE THE FACT THAT FIRST SEMESTER OF YEAR DOES ACTUALLY CONTAIN SIX MONTHS IN WHICH WORK CAN BE DONE BUT THAT SECOND SEMESTER IN EFFECT ONLY CONTAINS LESS THAN THREE MONTHS FOR PB&C'S WORK PROGRAMS. SOME ADJUSTMENT IN APPROACH TO TASKS SHOULD BE CONSIDERED BY PB&C'S.

VIII. TRAINING PROGRAMME

NO COMMENT AT THIS MOMENT.

IX. ANNUAL REPORT TO THE COUNCIL

RECOMMEND DOCUMENT BE FROZEN AS IS AND ANY CHANGES BY SUBMITTED IN WRITING PRIOR TO PLENARY. FURTHER, DOCUMENT IN EFFECT IS OPEN FOR REDRAFTING AS RESULT OF PLENARY DECISIONS.

X. AGENDA OF THE PLENARY SESSION

HOPE THAT ITEM IV CAN BE AGREED AT SEPTEMBER MEETING AS WELL AS D/660 AND D/661 THEREBY PROVIDING MORE TIME FOR DISCUSSION OF ITEM II.

2. PROPOSED CHANGES TO PARA 14 D/660 AND PARA 10 D/661 NOT YET RECEIVED FROM IS. WILL BE CABLED SEPARATELY FOR BACK-STOPPING GROUP CONSIDERATION ON 4 SEPTEMBER.
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